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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT MILI CH

SUBJ: TROUBLED MR COMMANDER BACK AT POST

REF: HONG KONG 8999

1. HAN HSIEN-CHU WAS LISTED IN LANCHOW AT AN AUGUST 10 MEMORIAL SERVICE, HIS FIRST APPEARANCE BACK IN HIS MILITARY REGION (MR) IN OVER A YEAR AND A HALF (RADIO KANSU AUGUST 13). ALTHOUGH LISTED WITHOUT TITLE, HIS PREMIER RANKING INDICATES HE STILL HOLDS THE MR COMMANDER SLOT. FOLLOWING HIS TRANSFER FROM THE FUCHOW MR TO LANCHOW IN DECEMBER 1973, HAN APPEARED FOR NEW YEAR'S IN HIS NEW BASE AND THEN DISAPPEARED.

2. DURING THE SPRING 1974, AN ACTIVE PHASE OF LAST  
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YEAR'S ANTI-LIN PIAO/CONFUCIUS CAMPAIGN, HAN WAS PER-

SONALLY CRITICIZED AS A LIN PIAO ASSOCIATE IN HIS OLD  
FUKIEN BAILIWICK. A COMMANDER WHO SERVED UNDER LIN PIAO  
IN THE FOURTH FIELD ARMY FROM 1945-49, HAN HAD BEEN TOP  
MAN IN FUKIEN IN 1971 WHEN A BOOKLET WAS PUBLISHED THERE  
PRAISING LIN PIAO'S MILITARY STRATEGY. THE BOOK AND  
ITS "BACKERS" WERE SEVERELY CRITICIZED IN THE APRIL 1974  
ISSUE OF RED FLAG. FROM JULY 1974 UNTIL THE PRESENT,  
HAN'S APPEARANCES WERE LIMITED TO PEKING, WHERE HE PRE-  
SUMABLY WAS UNDERGOING "REEDUCATION" BECAUSE OF HIS  
FORMER CLOSE TIES TO LIN PIAO.  
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